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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In re application of:

Hirokazu IKEDA et al.

Application No.: 10/805,023

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For:

INFORMATION PROCESSING

DEVICE, INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE CONTROL METHOD, AND **COMPUTER-READABLE**

MEDIUM

Customer No.: 20350

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.